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Mr. John Entsminger
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Subject: Request by the Southern Nevada Water Authority (SNWA) to Store Calendar Year
2014 Nevada Unused Apportionment

Dear Mr. Entsminger:

The Bureau of Reclamation has received SNWA's letter dated December 3, 2014, estimating that there will be between 60,000 and 80,000 acre-feet (AF) of Nevada unused apportionment in calendar year 2014, and requesting that up to 65,000 AF of Nevada unused apportionment be made available for storage by the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD) during 2014. SNWA will leave any remaining unused water in Lake Mead as part of ongoing drought mitigation efforts.

In accordance with Article 3.3 of the Storage and Interstate Release Agreement dated October 27, 2004, (Contract No. 04-XX-30-W0430), among the United States, MWD, SNWA, and the Colorado River Commission of Nevada, Reclamation confirms the existence of up to 80,000 AF of Nevada unused apportionment in calendar year 2014. As authorized by Article II(B)(6) of the Consolidated Decree of the United States Supreme Court in *Arizona v. California*, 547 U.S. 150 (2006), Reclamation releases up to 65,000 AF of Nevada unused apportionment to MWD for diversion and storage in calendar year 2014. The actual amount of Nevada unused apportionment released to MWD in 2014 will be determined based upon final accounting records.

If you have questions, please contact Mr. Paul Matuska, Water Accounting and Verification Group Manager, at 702-293-8164.

Sincerely,

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